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FDA FED. CREDIT UNION
WILL HAVE OFFICE OPEN
ON PAY DAY AND FOL. FRI.

In order to facilitate the handling of all official business of the FDA Federal Credit Union, the Board of Directors announces:

W. M. Williams, Treasurer, and Mary Nell Barnes, Assistant Treasurer, will be in Room 220, 1114 Commerce Street, each Pay Day and the Friday following from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p. m.

On other work days official business may be transacted with W. M. Williams, 2nd floor, 1037 Young Street or Miss Barnes, Room 220, 1114 Commerce Street, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.

SAVE THAT EVERGREEN

If you are worried about your evergreens' appearance and condition do not act hastily. Many evergreens that have turned brown this spring as a result of drying out the past winter are likely to recover.

They should not be destroyed until it is absolutely certain they are dead. It is surprising how many recover.

AWARDS PRESENTATION PROGRAM
WILL BE HELD ON MAY 18TH

S. B. Herrell, Principal Speaker

The annual Awards Presentation Program, which is being sponsored by the USDA Club under the leadership of Homer A. Napier, Chairman of the Committee on Training and Education, will be held at 3:00 p.m. in Sanger Bros. Auditorium, Main Street, on Friday, May 18th.

All USDA agencies will dismiss their employees at 2:30 p. m.

A musical program has been arranged as an introduction. S. B. Herrell, Assistant Director of Personnel, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. will deliver the principal address.

Presentation of awards will be made by Division Chiefs.

Programs will be distributed to the agencies at noon, Friday, May 18th for all employees. Ernest Godwin, PMA, is Art Director.

Employees to receive awards will be seated together by agencies in the same section of the auditorium.

Tulane S. Smith, Administrative Officer, Farmers Home Administration Texas State Office Staff, is President of the USDA Club.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY PROGRAM WELL ATTENDED

A crowd of about 300 ladies attended the showing of the two films, "Traitor Within" and "Breast Self-Examination" shown to women employees of the Department of Agriculture in Dallas by the American Cancer Society at Sanger Bros. Auditorium, Main Street.

Miss Margaret Huber, Chairman of the Employee Welfare Committee of the USDA Club, sponsor, introduced Mrs. S. C. Bovell, Vice-Chairman of Women's
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USDA CLUB MEMBERS
MAY GET DISCOUNTS
ON FEED STORE ITEMS

"Mr. Biggio of the Nicholson Seed Stores has agreed to give USDA Club members at least 10% discount on all items handled by the Nicholson Seed Stores with the exception of field seed," states Miss Margaret Huber, Chairman of the Employee Welfare Committee.

Anyone desiring to purchase merchandise from these stores will present their USDA Club cards.

The Nicholson Seed Stores in Dallas are at the following locations:

817 Elm Street
1924 Skillman Avenue
106 S. Beckley (Oak Cliff)
Highland Park Shopping Village

FOOD TO YUGOSLAVIA
HAS AVERTED FAMINE

"U. S. food has averted famine in drought ridden Yugoslavia," states John J. Haggerty, American agricultural attache at Belgrade.

The mere announcement that "throughout the land, the U.S. had promised aid," accomplished a primary objective and has "confirmed the sense of security up to the present time when supplies are visibly adequate," the attache said.

Haggerty said more than 500,000 tons of U.S. food and feed are pouring into Yugoslavia in a steady stream.

MARSHALL PLAN
AID TO GREECE
PRaised IN TALK

Marshall Plan aid to Greece has strengthened that nation to a position where it is now an important ally in the strategic Mediterranean, Dr. Bayard Dodge, former president of the American University at Beyrouth, Lebanon, said in Dallas.

Dr. Dodge said Marshall aid to Greece totaled \$376,000,000 as of June 30, 1950. In addition, the Export-Import Bank loans to Greece totaled approximately \$25,000,000.

The American funds were used mainly to buy food for the people of the war ravaged nation. However, some money was used to rebuild harbors, air fields, highways, bridges, tunnels, factories, railroads and public health centers.

"For every dollar we spent in Greece, the Greeks added about three dollars. You might say our help was priming the pump," Dr. Dodge said.

"The result of these expenditures was that Communist inroads in Greece have been stopped. There are Communists in Greece," he added, "but their influence has been neutralized."

Dr. Dodge is considered an outstanding authority on Middle East affairs. He served as president of the Lebanon University 25 years retiring in 1949.

Cancer, etc., Cont'd.

Activities of the American Cancer Society who spoke a few words and introduced Mrs. Clarence F. Englehart Executive Secretary of the Dallas County Unit, Information Center of the Society. Mrs. Englehart spoke of the three phases of the work which include research, service and education.

The American Cancer Society through its Service Unit assists indigent patients suffering from cancer to receive clinical help and treatment.

Dr. C. B. Bussy, Mayo trained surgeon of Dallas, conducted an open discussion following the films which was most worthwhile.

PMA NETS NICE AMOUNT
FOR CANCER SOCIETY

John W. Bolish, Chief, Area Personnel Management Division, PMA, who has been in charge of the campaign collections for the American Cancer Society for 1951 reports that \$221.90 were collected for this worthwhile cause.

FARM POPULATION
SHOWS DECLINE

The "rural farm population" now makes up only 15.6% of 1950 U. S. residents. In 1940 the "rural farm" population was 22.9

Of our total population of 150,697,000 the "rural farm" total comes to 23,577,000 and "rural non farm" to 31,092,000.

The city population climbed from 56.5% in 1940 to 63.7% in 1950.

PLENTIFUL FOODS ANNOUNCED FOR MAY

The PMA Food Distribution Branch announces the following foods for the plentiful list for May.

Buy food on the plentiful list and notice the saving in your grocery bill. Special features are:

Protein Foods

Cheese
Cottage Cheese
Dry Beans
Eggs
Fresh & Frozen Fish
Peanut Butter

Vegetables

Lettuce
Mustard Greens
Radishes
Spinach
Turnip Greens

Fruits

Apples
Canned Applesauce

BUTTER IS AGAIN PRICE SUPPORTED

The government last month went back to buying butter to hold up the market price.

The surplus of about 200,000,000 lbs. of butter left from 1949 and 1950 output has been sold by the Department of Agriculture to meet consumer demands.

The Department reports that the present rate of butter production is substantially lower than a year ago.

For that reason the government expects to buy considerably less than the 128,000,000 lbs. bought during the heavy production season last year.

Butterfat will be supported at 67.6 cents a lb., which will make more than a lb. of butter.

GUS F. GEISSLER IS NEW PMA ADMINISTRATOR

Gus F. Geissler of North Dakota has been appointed administrator of PMA, succeeding Ralph S. Trigg.

Our new boss has been praised for his work with the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation of which he was manager before accepting the PMA appointment.

Mr. Geissler states: "High-level production is the keystone of the agricultural defense job--particularly feed grains to keep meat and other livestock products on the dinner table."

48 LOAN COTTON TO GET PREMIUM

Texas farmers, who pooled their 1948 cotton with the CCC, will receive about 11% above the support price. Payment on the unredeemed 1948 loan cotton will be made during the first two weeks of June.

USE MORE APPLES -- THE AMERICAN DISH

Apples should be served each day in keeping with the American tradition. Remember the old adage--"An apple a day keeps the doctor away?"

Breakfast: fry apples by themselves or with bacon or sausage.

Lunch: serve a Waldorf salad--or combine them with cabbage. They are delicious spiced. Scallop them alone or with sweet potatoes or cabbage.

Dinner: use them in stuffing for the main course. Or, make an apple pie, apple float, Dutch apple cake, dumplings, upside down cake, or Indian apple pudding.

Brush raw apple rings with lemon juice to prevent darkening and spread with any of the following for pleasing appetizers--cream cheese moistened with milk; peanut butter and grated carrots or grated cheese blended with a little mayonnaise. Sprinkle with paprika or minced parsley and use as a garnish for meats.

COLT, TOO?

A farmer was walking down the road when a Model-T came rumbling along and knocked him down.

He arose, shook himself, and proceeded when a motorcycle came along and knocked him down. Arising, the farmer said, "----I didn't know the darned thing had a colt."

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TEXAS WHOLESALE JEWELERS
OFFER USDA CLUB MEMBERS
DISCOUNTS ON MANY ITEMS

The Texas Wholesale Jewelers 504-6 Praetorian Building, 1603 Main Street, has agreed to give USDA Club members at least 20% discount on all items and up to as much as 50% on others.

They handle nationally advertised jewelry, wallets, small appliances, diamonds, watches, and silverware. All of their merchandise is fully guaranteed.

In addition to this discount they have a free gift wrapping service on purchases from their store.

They also have a mailing list and will be glad to add any of the names of USDA Club members, to receive a list of items on which there is any unusual savings from time to time.

If you desire to be placed on the mailing list contact Miss Margaret Huber, Chairman of the Employee Welfare Committee of the USDA Club, Sta. 557.

WANT AD

APT. TO SHARE: Business woman desires lady to share 2 bed room apartment--Wynwood Apts.--Private bed room--Price \$10 a week--bills paid.--PHONE RI 6951, Sta. 447, or YU 7665--Susie Bennington.

TEXAS HAS "GOLD MINES"
NEEDING TO BE DEVELOPED

Wallace Jenkins, Farmer, 801 Pemberton Hill Road, Dallas, in a recent letter for publication states: "California farmers are plowing up fine orchards, vineyards and berry and vegetable fields, and turning the land to cotton. Rental of \$100 an acre per year is being paid to grow cotton.

"Texas farmers know the prize cotton land of the nation is in Texas, equal and superior to any California land. Rich river bottom land in Texas produces more than anything in California and without irrigation.

"On a production basis and by California values, Texas has ten million acres of river bottom land worth \$1,000 an acre, since it will yield a bale to the acre without fertilizer, worth on today's market more than \$200 a bale, not to mention the seed and other crops grown in connection with cotton.

"But before this "white gold" of the rich valleys can be mined, the land has got to be reclaimed and protected from the annual floods that lay it in waste. The rivers must be straightened, deepened and cleaned out, and the land made ready for farming, which is not being done now.

"When will a sane, practical program be launched to develop and work these vast gold mines running through Texas?"

FDA FED. CREDIT UNION
HAS ARRANGED DISCOUNT

The FDA Federal Credit Union, of which Rector B. Meyer is President, has arranged a nice discount for members of the credit union with the Dallas Watch Company, 201 Fidelity Building, 1000 Main Street.

George B. Prentice, Manager, has agreed to give not less than 10% discount on all items and up to 30% discount on some items.

Wholesaling and jobbing are a part of the business of this company, which enables Mr. Prentice, who is owner of the business, to make the discounts.

Items which may be purchased here include household appliances, jewelry, watches, diamonds, costume jewelry, watch repairing, etc.

This company is designated as the official railroad time inspectors and was established in 1921.

Perfect Man?

The perfect man doesn't drink or smoke or swear; doesn't borrow from his friends and doesn't steal; doesn't make love to all the girls and overlord the men.

In fact, the perfect man doesn't exist. --tall, dark, or handsome.